

NEWS NOTES

Department of Social Work

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REMINDERS...

* Need help reviewing your resume, discussing interviewing techniques, connecting with organizations or conducting job searches?

Make an appointment with a career counselor in the Center for Service, Work and Learning! Location: Anderson Hall, Lower Level, Telephone: 612-330-1148 Fax: 612-330-1432

*The Women's Resource Center

is a quiet, private place for students to breastfeed or pump. Our drop-in hours are Monday 9am - 9pm, Tuesday 9am - 10:30pm, Wednesday and Friday 9am - 7pm, Thursday 9am - 6pm, and WEC Saturdays 11am - 2pm. The WRC is located in 207 Sverdrup. Call Jessica Nathanson at x1528 for more info.

*Interested in selling your textbooks to other MSW students?

The SWK department has allotted space on one of the bulletin boards outside the main office (Memorial 12) for MSW students to post ads for textbooks they would like to sell to other MSW students at a reduced price. If you would like to post a small ad, remember to include your contact information on it. Please be aware, if you purchase a textbook from another student, you purchase it at your own risk as course textbooks do change over time. If you are wondering whether or not a certain textbook will be used again next year, you may contact the professor who teaches the course to inquire.

NASW-MN Legacy Scholarship



Lois, Veronica, and Holley

MSW student, Veronica Pena has been named the "Legacy Scholarship Recipient – 2008" by NASW, Minnesota Chapter. The \$1,000 award is given to build a profession that is responsive to the needs of a diverse society. Laura Boisen, chapter president, Anne Gearity, chapter president-elect, and Susan Mewborn, chapter past-president, presented the award on Thursday, June 5th at the 18th Annual Conference. **Congratulations Veronica!**



Lois Bosch proudly staffs the AMPSW Table at the 18th Annual NASW-MN Chapter Conference

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Interested in helping with cyclone recovery in Myanmar?

Professor Mike Schock has received information about cyclone relief work in Myanmar from two trusted sources: his nephew, Philip Schock and his college Roommate, Jim Taylor and wife Debbie Ang Din.

From Philip Schock:

Listed below are some great organizations that are dedicated to helping those in Burma affected by Cyclone Nargis. I am writing this because I think it is important and would have a great impact on the lives of people in Burma who have real needs right now and will have in the coming months. If you are able, I hope you might consider a tax deductible gift to any of these groups to help those in Burma affected by Cyclone Nargis.

www.myanmarburmarelief.org www.worldconcern.org www.medicalteamsinternational.org www.mercycorp.org



June 29, 2008 Commencement Ceremony

The Augsburg Commencement website is up and running. Please visit the site for details on the ceremony and to reserve your tickets (limit 5). http://www.augsburg.edu/commencement/ If you find yourself in need of additional tickets, you may email your request to eventsrsvp@augsburg.edu

Info on purchasing your cap, gown and hood can also be found on the commencement website at

http://www.augsburg.edu/commencement/cap_june.html

The schedule for the day is as follows: Rehearsal (attendance strongly recommended) Friday, June 27 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. Si Melby Hall

Eucharist Service (optional)
Sunday, June 29
8 - 8:30 a.m.
Hoversten Chapel, Foss Center

Baccalaureate Service (optional)
Sunday, June 29
9 - 10 a.m.
Hoversten Chapel, Foss Center
Line-up promptly at 8:40 a.m.

Baccalaureate is a celebration service of music and word held for the graduating class. Please inform your guests that seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Assemble in the corridor leading from the Foss Atrium to the Music Building, wearing your cap and gown, at 8:40 a.m. Please be prompt. You will line up in double file and be led into the chapel by the College marshals. As you march in, please follow the directions of the College marshals.

Refreshments and Line-up Sunday, June 29 10 a.m. Students line up in the Christensen Center lobby Line-up promptly at 10:15 a.m.

Commencement Ceremony Sunday, June 29 Begins at 11 a.m. Si Melby Hall

* A department reception will immediately follow the commencement ceremony in East Commons, Christensen Center. Family and friends are welcome!

Fall Registration

AugNet fall registration is now open until September 4th. Please register promptly if you would like to register for certain course sections, as some tend to fill up quickly. Contact Holley with any questions at locherh@augsburg.edu.

*Please note, Family Practice students who will be enrolling in SWK 610, Field Seminar III this fall will not be able to register for this course on May 27. Students are assigned to field sections in an effort to evenly disperse students geographically so that field seminar professors have relatively equal distances to travel for field visits. If you are a Family Practice student moving in to your concentration year field placement, I will notify you this summer of your assigned field section. You will then need to go online and register for your section at that time.

Letter Writing Party!

A group of students from Community Development for Social Change Class, SWK 516 invite you to a Letter Writing Party on Saturday, June 7th from 12-1pm in Lindell 301 to tell Gov. Bring your lunch, or just stop in! Contact schatzs@augsburg.edu with questions.

HPPAE Orientation

There will be a HPPAE orientation for HPPAE scholars and their agencies on **Friday**, **June 13** from 9:00-10:30am in Oren Gateway 100. Breakfast will be provided.

Free coffee and muffins in the Oren Gateway Center on class weekend Saturdays (morning).

Weekend Chapel on Saturday @ 7:40am. Led by Ray MaKeever.

Field: 2008-2009 academic year

Field updates and documents can be found at:

http://web.augsburg.edu/socialwork/msw/field.html

Augsburg Alumni Network

If you will be graduating this June, feel free to join the Augsburg Alumni Network! Services include an alumni directory, alumni email, Class Notes (used to inform the alumni office of what you are up to), news and events, and of course making donation to the college ©.

www.augsburg.edu/alumni

Auggie Email for Life

Disappointed that you are not able to keep your Auggie email forever? Thanks to Google, we are now able to offer you an alternative Augsburg Alumni e-mail to use on your resumes and give to your friends. Please contact Alumni Relations at alumni@augsburg.edu to request an account.

Upcoming Events & Opportunities

Volunteer to help end homelessness at St. Paul/Ramsey County Project Homeless Connect!

Please join St. Paul/Ramsey County Project Homeless Connect at the St. Paul RiverCenter on Tuesday, June 10, 2008. Your time and services will help end homelessness. Hundreds of volunteers will be needed to make this event a success. There will be opportunities for individuals and groups to volunteer.

Contact Myly McBride at 651-265-0742 to volunteer. You may also visit http://ga3.org/ct/UpBFIQ41XSfy/ to learn more.

Tasks Unlimited has the following positions open:

- Case Manager/Supervisor
- Mental Health Worker (3)
- Chemical Health Skills Coordinator
- Mental Health Coordinator
- Vocational Coordinator

Check out www.tasksunlimited.org/news.htm#jobs.

Resumes can be submitted via email to koberpriller@tasksunlimited.org or recondon@tasksunlimited.org. Questions regarding open positions can be directed to Kris at 612-871-3320.

PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANT WANTED

Gay Urness and Deb Achor seeking PCA for their son, Sam Urness. Are working with "Metropolitan Center for Independent Living." They can be reached at (952)-541-6057, and the application is found on the MCIL website at: http://www.mcil-mn.org/ by clicking on "job opportunities," then scrolling to the bottom of the page.

The Council on Crime and Justice General Crime Victim Services (GCVS)

*Volunteer Opportunities
*Crime Victim Advocate Intern Opportunity

For more information, or for an application, please contact:

A. Lori Saroya - Crime Victim Services Coordinator, Council on Crime & Justice 822 South 3rd St. Suite 100, Minneapolis, MN 55415 (612) -353-3005

saroyaa@crimeandjustice.org
http://www.crimeandjustice.org/

FRASER Bilingual Waiver Coordinator

Our Home & Community Supports Department is seeking a degreed professional with experience working with individuals with developmental disabilities to coordinate client intakes & discharges, develop habilitative programs, and monitor staff utilization and provide job training, direction and supervision.

To see full posting & apply online, go to www.fraser.org or send an email to fraser.org.



Become a Good Will/Easter Seals AmeriCorps Member Goodwill/Easter Seals MN provides innovative services for people with barriers to employment, education, or independence, preparing them

for the world of work. For more info, visit www.goodwilleasterseals.org

AmeriCorps VISTA Position WEI's North Circle Project

WEI's VISTA will commit to serve full-time for a year (August 2008-August 2009) coordinating the North Circle Project and continuing to develop a local community of organic growers/farmers and a processing facility for the North Circle farmers. Apply directly by sending letter of inquiry (with qualifications and background), resume, and three references to wei@w-e-i.org or call 651-583-0705 for more information. You can also mail applications to WEI, P.O. Box 128, North Branch, Minnesota 55056. Please review the following criteria to make sure you are a good fit for this position: criteria for job application. Deadline for job application: June 10, 2008.

Minnesota Reading Corps/AmeriCorp Positions Many paid positions are now available through MN

Reading Corps and the Minnesota Literacy Council. These positions include Literacy Coordinator, Classroom Member, and Volunteer Coordinator, all working with children from a K – 3rd grade age range. Working through AmeriCorp, this program offers about \$430 every two weeks for full time members, and \$215 for half time members. There are loans available to apply toward existing loans or for future tuition expenses, and health coverage is available at no cost to full-time members. For more info, email apeters@theMCL.org or visit: www.theMLC.org/ReadingCorps.

Invitational Conference Advances in Nursing Home Dementia Care June 25, 2008

Keynote Speaker: Philip Sloane, MD, PhD, director of the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research

If you would like to receive an invitation to this conference, please contact: Christine Mueller, PhD, RN at the University of Minnesota School of Nursing (cmueller@umn.edu 612-626-4922) and provide the following information: 1) your name; 2) your place of employment; 3) your position title; 4) your discipline (e.g. nursing, medicine, social work), and 5) your contact information (mailing address, phone and email). We will send you further information about the conference.

For more info on any of these opportunities, please check the Social Work Opportunities Board, outside the Social Work Office (MEM 12).

The primary mission of the social work profession is to enhance human well-being and help meet the basic human needs of all people, with particular attention to the needs and empowerment of people who are vulnerable, oppressed, and living in poverty. A historic and defining feature of social work is the profession's focus on individual well-being in a social context and the well-being of society. --- NASW

St. David's Child Development and Family Services is seeking a:

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH THERAPIST

to provide services in their Autism Day Treatment (ADT) program. Candidate must have master's degree, experience working with pre-school aged children with developmental delays, and eligibility for MN licensing and 3rd party credentialing.

For More Information: **Emily Theyrl** (952)548-8613

or recruiting@stdavids.net, or visit www.stdavids.net on the web

Minnesota Social Service Association Job and Internship Opportunities

Multiple openings include the following:

- Evening & Weekend Advocate for Women's Advocates, Inc.
- Support Specialist for a crisis center in St. Paul
- Mental Health Rehab Worker St. Paul
- Early Childhood Environmental Education Intern, Urban Forestry/Natural Resource Intern, Autism Day Treatment Preschool Intern, Human Resources Intern, Therapeutic Preschool Substitute Teachers, PCA, Communications Associate, Home & Community Support Staff, and other positions for St. David's Child Development & Family Services in Minnetonka and St. Louis Park
- Child Care Activity Planner for Women's Advocates, Inc.

For more info about these and other listings, visit www.mnsocialserviceassoc.org

Volunteer Opportunity at Arc Greater Twin Cities! Sibling Support Group Assistant Burnsville

Assist the facilitator of a monthly support group of siblings ages 6-12 in Burnsville who have a brother or sister with a disability. Play games, have fun, and make the life of a child better. Group meets just once a month on the 1st Saturday from 9 to 11am.

For more info, contact Michelle at 952-915-3670 michelletheisen@ arcgreatertwincities.org

Mental Health Resources, Inc. has multiple job openings. For listings, visit www.mhresources.org.

The Human Development Center has multiple job openings. For listings visit:

http://www.hdchrc.org/employment.html

Lutheran Social Services: Youth Worker III

Location: LSS Nord House, 7704 Plymouth Ave. North, Golden Valley, MN 55427

A position is available in a 24-7 hour LSS Foster Family Setting Group Home for adolescent females involved in Chemical Dependency day treatment through Fairview Behavioral Services. Some of the females residing at LSS Nord House present with emotional and behavioral problems in addition to their CD diagnosis. Job duties include supervision, counseling and guidance. Contact: Submit resume with completed job application to Elizabeth Scudder at above address, or by faxing to 763-797-0900. You may also email to escudder@lssmn.org . An application may be downloaded from our website at www.lssmn.org

Have you ever considered developing your Social Work career in England?

Managers from Thurrock County Council in England will be flying to Atlanta in July 2008 to interview Social Workers for positions with Children and Families experience. All new graduates who took at least 8 credit hours their final semester are eligible for the BUNAC student six month work permit and can gain Social Work employment in the UK through UK Pro. If you graduate in Spring/Summer 2008 you will need to enter the UK by Dec. 31, 2008. The first step is to submit your resume. Email leah@uk-pro.net for more info, or call directly at 386-984-6012. For more info, visit: www.uk-pro.net looking at "Permanent Recruitment Campaigns"

WANTED: Good, Practical, Educational Articles for publication in THE NEW SOCIAL WORKER

Articles should focus on one specific aspect of ethics, field placement, or other social work topics. They should be written in a conversational style and include examples to illustrate main points. If you or a student have written something that would be of interest and use to other students and new graduates, please e-mail your article (and encourage your students/colleagues to send theirs) to Linda Grobman at: linda.grobman@PAONLINE.COM. Articles are typically about 2,000 words in length. THE NEW SOCIAL WORKER is available for free download in PDF format at http://www.socialworker.com.

MINNESOTA INDIAN WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER JOB OPENING

Position available is NAPTR, or Native American Parenting Traditions Revisited, Coordinator. Position involves work with NAPTR work group members, assisting in developing reports, coordinating/assisting development of marketing materials, and work with Project Director to develop evaluation plan. Job is full-time, salaried, with a great benefit package. To apply, send resume, cover letter, and completed application to MN Indian Women's Resource center, 2300 15th Ave S., Minneapolis, MN 55404. Phone: 612-728-2000, email

skincade@miwrc.org.

Scholarships and Funding

2008 MSSA Scholarships Available for Students Seeking an Education in the Human Service Field

MSSA is sponsoring the following **scholarships** for the 2008-2009 school year:

- Two Education scholarships (undergraduate) http://www.mnsocialserviceassoc.org/educationreg.pdf
- **Diversity scholarship** (diverse background) http://www.mnsocialserviceassoc.org/diversityreg.pdf
- Marjorie J. Carpenter scholarship (graduate) http://www.mnsocialserviceassoc.org/marjoriereq.pdf

The deadline is **June 1, 2008**. See Emily in the SWK Office (Mem. 12) or visit www.mnsocialserviceassoc.org for more info and an application.

**Also we need judges for these great scholarships, if you are interested and don't personally know of anyone applying, please contact Deb Most at deb@mnsocialserviceassoc.org. The scholarships judges are asked to read and score the applications, we send them to you. There is no meeting or traveling involved

The Women's Studies Program has money available for students who are interested in attending Women's/Gender Studies and feminist conferences. We also have three free memberships for the National Association of Women's Studies (www.nwsa.org), which has its conference in June of this year. If you are interested in funding to attend a conference, or a free NWSA membership, or both, please contact Jessica Nathanson at nathanso@augsburg.edu

SocialWork

The Nation's Leading Newsmagazine For Social Workers

- * Great Valley Publishing Co., Inc. has an exciting offer for students! Students can now receive *Social Work Today*, the nation's leading newsmagazine for social workers, <u>FREE</u> of charge! See Emily in the SWK office (Mem 12) for the forms.
- **Also, students are invited to search for jobs and post their resumes on the **Online Job Bank** at <u>AlliedHealthCareers.com</u>.

American Association of University Women (AAUW) has many fellowships and grants available. For a complete list and to apply, check out www.aauw.org/education/fga/fellowships_grants/index .cfm.

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships

The Rotary Foundation's oldest and best-known program is Ambassadorial Scholarships, established in 1947. Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarships provide funding for one academic year of study in another country. This award is intended to help cover round-trip transportation, tuition, fees, room and board expenses, and some educational supplies up to \$25,000 or its equivalent.

Deadline: Varies; between March 1 and July 15 the year before travel

To find out more about these scholarships, you may visit their web site at:

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships:

http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/amb_sch o/

If you would like information about other national scholarships and fellowships, check out the URGO web site at www.augsburg.edu/urgo, or contact Dixie Shafer at shafer@augsburg.edu

New Web Site to Assist Borrowers with Student Loan Debt

http://capwiz.com/socialworkers/utr/1/CYCOIBIRIL/EZZWIBISFG/1718685171]

The burden of student loan debt has been growing more unmanageable for social workers and students over the last several years. The National Consumer Law Center and the Project on Student Debt have developed the **Student Loan Borrower Assistance Project** that can help loan saddled social workers and other borrowers to find out more information about the recently passed College Cost Reduction and Access Act, among other student loan related issues. Check it out!